



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:) Confirmation No.: 6666
Seiji KAGAWA et al)
Appln. No.: 10/512,413) Art Unit: 1772
Filing Date: 04/25/2003) Examiner: B. T. O'Hern
371(c) Date: 10/25/2004)
For: EASY-TO-STRAIGHT-TEARING)
THERMOPLASTIC...)

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Honorable Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Randolph Building, 401 Dulany Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action
mailed May 23, 2006, and applicants reply below:

**Applicants respectfully request the PTO to
acknowledge receipt of applicants' papers filed under Section
119.**

Restriction has been required among what the PTO
deems to be three (3) patentably distinct inventions.

Applicants accept the PTO ruling that the three inventions are
patentably distinct from one another, and applicants
accordingly respectfully and provisionally elect Group I,

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presently claims 1-8 and 63, without prejudice and without traverse. The examiner is authorized to delete the non-elected claims (of course without prejudice to applicants' rights under Sections 121, 120 and 119, to proceed with one or more divisional applications) upon allowance of the elected subject matter.

Applicants now respectfully await the results of a first examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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